

**Secretariat**

9 January 2001

Information circular***To:** Members of the staff**From:** The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management**Subject:** **Dependency allowances for staff in the Professional and higher categories and in the Field Service category**

1. On the basis of the recommendation presented by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) in its twenty-sixth annual report,¹ the General Assembly, by its resolution 55/223 of 22 December 2000, approved increases in the children's allowance and in the secondary dependant's allowance of staff members in the Professional and higher categories, with effect from 1 January 2001, from their current levels of \$1,730 and \$619 per annum to \$1,936 and \$693 per annum, respectively.

2. The General Assembly also approved the recommendation of ICSC to provide for increases of the same proportions at those duty stations where the amounts of these allowances are currently established in local currencies. A list of those countries and the related local currency amounts of the children's allowance and the secondary dependant's allowance applicable as from 1 January 2001 is contained in the annex to the present circular.

3. In keeping with past practice, the revised amounts will also be applicable in respect of eligible children of staff members in the Field Service category, with effect from 1 January 2001.

* The present circular, which supersedes ST/IC/1999/5 dated 12 January 1999, will be in effect until further notice.

¹ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 30 (A/55/30), para. 134.*



Annex**Amounts of children's and secondary dependant's allowances for staff members in the Professional and higher categories in designated countries****Effective 1 January 2001**

<i>Country</i>	<i>Currency</i>	<i>Children's allowance</i>	<i>Secondary dependant's allowance</i>
Austria	Schilling	31 615	11 679
Belgium	Belgian franc	78 534	25 117
Denmark	Danish krone	14 762	4 267
France	French franc	11 346	3 765
French Guiana	French franc	11 346	3 765
Germany	Deutsche mark	4 539	1 628
Ireland	Irish pound	1 281	420
Japan	Yen	446 106	202 661
Luxembourg	Luxembourg franc	78 534	25 117
Monaco	French franc	11 346	3 765
Netherlands	Guilder	5 004	1 704
Switzerland	Swiss franc	3 764	1 677
United States and the rest of the world	United States dollar	1 936	693